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ened with starvation in consequence of the recent earthquake the sum of \$500,-000 is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated and the action of the president in dispatching the naval vessels to Italy with food and supplies for the Italian sufferers is hereby rati-fied and approved.

The house resolution reads: "That to enable the president of the

priated.
"In the execution of this act the president is requested to ask and obtain the approval of the Italian government.

CAB STRIKE ENDS.

All the Old Men Will Be Taken Back Without Discrimination,

New York, Jan. 4 .- After weaken

HAD NO HAND IN IT.

Mrs. Erb Denies Positively That Sh

Helped Slay Her Husband.

Media, Pa., Jan. 4 .- Judge George

TOPEKA, KANSAS, JANUARY 4, 1909.

VOTES \$800,000

President Roosevelt Sends a Special Message

To Congress Calling for Appropriation of Aid Fund.

GETS QUICK RESPONSE

Resolutions Are Passed by Both the purpose of rescuing and succoring the people who are in peril and threat-Houses

In Accordance With the Chief Executive's Suggestion.

Washington, Jan. 4.-The president in a message to congress today asked for a direct appropriation of half a million dollars for the relief of the stricken people in the earthquake zone of Italy. This is the most generous fund ever contributed by the American people for succor of sufferers in other lands, and is to supplement the dispatch of the supply ships Celtic from New York and the Culgoa from Port Sald, for Messina, with their big cargoes of necessaries originally intended for the American fleet now to be diverted to the immediate use of the Italian victims. It also supplements the president's proffer of the services of the entire American fleet of 16 battleships. se use in whole or in part, hinged only on the grateful acceptance or declination of the Italian government The message was brief and plans had been made for the immendiate enactment into law of its recommendations. The message follows:

To the Senate and House of Representa-

The appalling calamity which has be-fallen the people of Italy is followed by distress and suffering throughout a wide region among many thousands who have escaped with life, but whose shel-ter and food and means of living are de-stroyed. The ordinary machinery for supplying the wants of civilized com-munities is now break and an excep-

supplying the wants of civilized communities is paralyzed; and an exceptional emergency exists which demands that the obligations of humanity shall regard no limit of national lines.

"The immense debt of civilization to Italy; the warm and steadfast friendship between that country and our own; the affection for their native land felt by great numbers of good American citizens who are immigrants from Italy; the abundance with which God has blessed us in our

with which God has blessed us in our safety; all these should prompt us to immediate and effective relief.

"Private generosity is responding nobly to the demand by contributions through the safe and efficient channel of the American Red Cross society."

"Confident of your approval. I of the American Red Cross society.

"Confident of your approval. I have ordered the government supply ships Celtie and Culgoa to the scene of the disaster, where upon receiving the authority which I now ask from you they will be able to dispense food, clothing and other supplies with which they are laden to the value of about \$300.000. The Celtic has already salled and the Culgoa is at Port Said, eight vessels of the returning battleship fleet are already under orders for Italian waters and that government has been asked if

pressed the hope that the senate would remain in session so that it might re-ceive the report from the committee, which he said would be made promptly. As a result of the president's message the house added \$300,000 to its appropriation, making in all \$800,000 instead of \$500,000, as originally planned to be given for the suffer-

Ten minutes before the house con-vened the speaker received a letter from the White House suggesting that the amount be increased to \$800,000. Before any action could be taken by the committee on appropriations the house was in receipt of the president's message on the subject. At the hurried meeting of the com-

At the hurried meeting of the committee the amount was increased to conform with the president's later recommendation. With comparatively no delay Mr. Hale reported to the sente a resolution adopted by the committee on appropriations and it was agreed to with only one vote in the negative, which was cast by Senator Balley

Later the senate agreed to the resobutton passed by the house increasing the appropriation to \$800,000 and this amount becomes immediately avail-

SAW ONLY RUINS STANDARD WINS

Congress Acts.

Resolutions were introduced in the senate and house providing for an appropriation of \$500,000 for Italian relief. The resolutions provided that the money shall be used for provisions, ciothing, medicines and other necessary articles, and the president is authorized to employ any vessels of the United States navy or to charter and employ other suitable steamships or vessels to carry out the purpose of this of Troops

Which Visited the East Coast of Involving the \$29,000,000 Fine Attorney

distribute among the suffering people of Italy and its islands such provisions, clothing, medicines, money and other articles as he shall deem advisable for the purpose of recogning and supporter.

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"In the execution of this act, the president may use any vessels of the United States navy and such other vessels as he may in his discretion of the earthquake. The decision of the court to this effect was and makes record to the present laws and the present laws and the present laws are presen Reggio, Jan. 4 .- A detachment of

Relief Train Wrecked

ernment and is hereby authorized to employ any vessels of the United States navy and to charter and employ any other suitable steamships and vessons were taken from the ruins, injured and uninjured, of which number 1,000 were saved by the Russians and 1,000 by the English sailors. The ng gradually during the past week, he strike of cabmen and chauffeurs, visions to the affected district. All the treasure found has been placed aboard

members of the Liberty Dawn association, was officially declared off at a meeting held late last night. The union men assert that 750 members of the association won their demand for increased wages and a closed shop and that 1,200 others returned to work under the open shop agreement with wages and hours as before the strike. Employers maintain that they are

More Quakes Predicted. More Quakes Fredicted.

Messina, Jan. 4.—Frank Perret, of Brooklyn, assistant to Prof. Mateucci, director of the national observatory on Mount Vesuvius, speaking for the disaster here and in Calabria, says that other earthquakes are inevitable as there is a flaw in the earth's crust

where the slip occurred. He predicts heavier shocks and de-

Nothing Else Found by a Body U. S. Supreme Court Refuses to Is Excess of Insurance Receipts Review the Case

by Judge Landis.

SURVIVORS HAD FLED. RIGHT OF THE COURT ILLINOIS LIFE CASE.

Dreadful Havoc Believed to Have | Asserted by Government and Urges More Explicit and Strict Denied by Oil Company.

In the Mountain Villages Not Decision Is Announced by Chief Should Deposit Securities Be-Justice Fuller.

Washington, Jan. 4 .- The \$29,000,survivors had fied. There is every announced by Chief Justice Fuller er legislation as regards foreign com reason to believe that dreadful havoc soon after the court convened today. panies.

The case came to the court on a pe-"That to enable the president of the United States to procure and distribute among the suffering and destitute people of Italy such provisions, clothing, medicines and other necessary articles and to take such other steps as he shall deem advisable, for the purpose of rescuing and succoring the people who are in peril and threatened with starvation, the sum of \$500,000 is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

"In the execution of this act the"

was wrought in the mountain villages that have not yet been explored. A convoy with 1,000 rations of bread which was going through Bagnara was rifled enroute by famished persons here. A number of small boats, all of States circuit court of appeals for the channel to request food of incoming steamers, which the officers of the channel to request food of incoming by appropriated out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

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versed.
In the supreme court the case turn-Relief Train Wrecked.

Messina, Jan. 4.—Between Messina and Catania, a freight train today ran into and telescoped a relief train crowded with injured persons, five of whom were killed.

Twenty Looters Shot.

Rome, Jan. 4.—Parliament will be convoked January 11. The minister of war says that the forts around Messina, which contain tons of powder and millions of cartridges, have not been injured. He also says that while he was at Messina at least 15,000 persons were taken from the ruins, injured and uninjured, of which numpany.

HAINS' STORY.

Own Defense.

ao snappy manner related under counsel's interrogations the story of his life that something, possibly very serious, may happen January 7, and 8, when the relative positions of the sun and moon will produce the great-

pected high temperatures to the east-ward and southward and followed by the cold high area to the northwest-ward. The cold wave will reach upper lake region and the upper Mississippl valley tonight and Tuesday, the Ohio valley and the lower lake region Tuesday night and the middle and north

Over Losses.

Makes Recommendations.

General Jackson

fore Doing Business.

Attorney General Fred S. Jackson to-

general is convinced that such a bu-reau would save the people of the state thousands of dollars every year.

The attorney general gives a few figures in fire insurance that are startling to say the least. They show that these companies received in premiums in Kansas in 1907, over two million dol-lars more than they paid out in fire

The report and observations are as

"At the time I entered the duties of the office, there had been submitted to the circuit court of the United States for the district of Kansas, a case in which the Illinois Life Insurance company had sued by suit in mandamus to compel the state treasurer to deliver to said company certain securities held by the state treasurer and which had been deposited with him by the Kansas Mutual Life Insurance company, un-der the direction of the superintendent of insurance prior to the absorption of said Mutual company by the Illinois Life Insurance company. This suit was shortly afterward determined by Judge Pollock in favor of the state treasurer. Takes the Witness Stand in His appeals.

Securities of \$600,000 Involved, "The controversy involves the question of whether securities amounting to over \$600,000 now held by the state treasurer, shall be delivered to the paintiff company and removed from the state, or left where they were originally deposited for securing the Kansas policyholders. The principal reason given by the insurance company for seeking this change is that said securities as now deposited are taxable under the laws of Kansas; and it claims that under its contract with

sacting business in this state, and who were subscribers to a rating bureau known as the Eldridge Rating bureau. to increase the rates of insurance brought to light the fact that an ar rangement existed among th were subscribers to said rating Atlantic states Wednesday. It will also be colder in the south Wednesday and Wednesday night. "Owing to the wide extent of the attempted increase was due to the atwestern high area, it is probable that the cold will be the most marked of the present season thus far.

"Rain will precede the cold and will turn to snow over the northern tier of the increase was due to the attempted increase was due to the attempt of the fire insurance of the unemployee left New York, to losses in the San Francisco confiagration. With the assistance of the superintendent of insurance, I collected in which he says: turn to snow over the northern tier of states."

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fixing rates adequate to the comanies and just to the insurer Favors State Rating Bureau.

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"Insurance premiums are in their sature a tax on the persons who enjoy the insurance. The state is interested in seeing that such rates are low enough to be afforded by the people to whom such insurance is a necessity and that such rates are high enough to enable responsible companies to carry such insurance. The experience of this state for more than twenty-five years such insurance. The experience of this state for more than twenty-five years has shown that where rating bureaus are maintained directly or indirectly by the insurance companies, the rates will be made in favor of the fire insurance companies and against its patrons. It is not to be expected that persons who have absolutely within their power the making of the prices to be exacted from the public, will make such prices against their own interests. It is clear that something in the nature of a rating bureau is required both by the company and its patrons. It is also clear that such bureau should fix an advisory rate which is equitable both to the insurer and the insured. I am of the opinion that the only solution of the difficulty is for the state to establish a rating bureau to be operated under the direction of the state superintendent of insurance, which shall fix a maximum rate for fire insurance upon all property within the state and that no fire insurance company operating within the state shall be permitted to charge more than the rate prescribed by this bureau.

"I am firmly convinced that such a bureau would save the people thousands of dollars in insurance rates in the next few years.

Kansans Pay More Than Receive.

Kansans Pay More Than Receive. "The figures for the year ending December 31, 1907, the last year for December 31, 1907, the last year for which the figures covering these matters are available, on the amount of premiums collected and losses paid in the state are of interest. There was collected in that year for fire insurance premiums in the state, \$3,776.-603. The companies paid in losses for the same year, \$1,649.648, leaving the net amount of the premiums received by the companies above losses, \$2,126,955. The insurance commissioner estimates that the total expense \$2,126,955. The insurance commissioner estimates that the total expense and loss accounts of the companies should not exceed sixty-five per cent of the gross premiums received. On this basis, the net profit to the insurance companies for the year was in this basis, the net profit to the insurance companies for the year was in round numbers one and one-third million dollars. The amount received above losses paid is about equal to the total amount of money collected by the state for state taxes and expended for the entire expenses of state government, and the net profit to the insurance companies was in excess of one-half this sum. Surely a subject of expense to the people of the state which offers such possibilities merits the earnest attention of the legislature and all of the people of the state."

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GETTING TOGETHER.

Executive Departments and Senate Committee to Co-operate.

Washington, Jan. 4 .- The executive the state, or left where they were originally deposited for securing the Kansas policyholders. The principal reason given by the insurance company for seeking this change is that said securities as now deposited are taxable under the laws of Kansas; and it claims that under its contract with the Kansas policyholders, the said policyholders must be made to bear the burden of said taxes. It is a matter in which the insurance department has taken great interest. We have care-

W. A. MILLER, -Enid, Ok., engineer, FIREMAN, name unknown. Seriously Injured.

Fireman Hancock.
Conductor Barnard.
C. F. Hosrey, passenger.
Frank Weddle, express messenger.
The passenger train was running 15 miles an hour when it met the freight.
Diame for the wreck is laid jointly confusion of Blame for the wreck is laid jointly to a heavy fog and to a confusion of train orders.

SEES A HARD WINTER.

King of Hoboes" Calls a Convention to Meet in St. Louis.

New York, Jan. 4.—Friends of J. Eads How, familiarly known as the "king of Hoboes," have received a letter from him at St. Louis, in which he extends an invitation for a gathering of the unemployed in that city. How

Mr. Roosevelt Transmits to the House of Representatives

A Special Message Regarding the Secret Service.

WAS MISUNDERSTOOD.

Says Wrong Construction Was Placed on Utterances

On Same Subject Embodied in His Annual.

Washington, Jan. 4.—President Roosevelt today transmitted to the nouse the following message:

To the House of Representatives:

I have received the resolution of the house of representatives of December 17, 1908, running as fol-

December 17, 1908, running as lows:

"Whereas there was contained in the sundry civil appropriation bill which passed congress at its last assion and became a law, a provision in reference to the employment of the secret service in the treasury department; and

ment; and
"Whereas in the last annual message of the president of the United
States to the two houses of congress
it was stated in reference to that
provision: 'It is not too much to say
that this amendment has been of
benefit only, and could be of benefit
only, to the criminal classes,' and it only, to the criminal classes," and it was further stated, "That chief argument in favor of the provision was that the congressmen did not themselves wish to be investigated by secret service men," and it was further stated: "But if this is not considered desirable." sidered desirable a special exception could be made in the law prohibiting the use of the secret service force in investigating members of congress. It would be far better to do this than to do what actually was done, and strive to prevent or at least hamper effective action against criminals by the executive branch of the government; and ment; and

ment; and
"Whereas the plain meaning of the
above words is that the majority of
the congressmen were in fear of being investigated by secret service men

and that congress as a whole was actuated by that motive in enacting the provision in question; and "Whereas your committee appointed to consider these statements of the president and to report to the house can not find in the hearings before committees nor in the hearings before committees nor in the hearings before committees and the house can be the constant that the constant in the hearings before committees nor in the hearings before committees are in the constant to the constant that the constant the constant to the constant that the constant the constant to the constant that the constant that the constant the constant that the constant that the constant the constant the constant that the constant t fore committees nor in the records of the house or senate, any justification of this impeachment of the honor and

integrity of the congress; and "Whereas your committee would prefer in order to make an intelligent and comprehensive report, just to the president as well as to the congress, to have all the information which the president may have to communicate;

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Tulsa, Okla., Jan. 4.—A passenger train and a freight train of the St. Louis & San Francisco railroad collided head on near Fisher, a small station 12 miles west of Tulsa, this morning. One engineer and one fireman were killed and a score of others were more or less seriously injured.

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 4.—The St. Louis and San Francisco passenger train that collided at Fisher. Okla. with a freight is believed to be the Meteor, a fast train that left Kansas City at 8.29 Sunday night for the south. The Meteor connects at Sapulpa with a passenger train from St. Louis and both continue south from there as one train. Sapulpa is south of Fisher and the St. Louis train therefore could not have been involved in today's wreck.

None of the passengers was fatally hurt.

Deed.

preamble it is stated that the meaning of my words is that "the majority of the congressmen are in fear of being investigated by secret service men" and

the congressmen are in fear of being investigated by secret service men" and that "congress as a whole was actuated by that motive in enacting the provision in question," and that this is an impeachment of the honor and integrity of the congress. These statements are not I think in accordance with the facts. The portion of my message referred to runs as follows:

"Last year an amendment was incorporated in the measure providing for the secret service, which provided that there should be no detail from the secret service and no transfer therefrom. It is not too much to say that this amendment has been of benefit only, to the criminal classes. If deliberately introduced for the purpose of diminishing the effectiveness of war against crime it could not have been devised to this end. It forbade the practices that had been followed to a greater or less extent by the executive heads of various departments for 20 years. To these practices we owe the securing of the evidence which enabled us to drive great lotteries out of business and secure a quarter of a million of dollars left New York, two months ago and his whereabouts was not generally known until the receipt of the letter, in which he says:

"Realizing that this is going to be a hard winter and that there are all the way from 25-000 to 100 000 men the says to discover some of the most outrageous frauds in the way from 25-000 to 100 000 men

